

# **Ascot, Cheapside, Sunninghill, South Ascot and Sunningdale Neighbourhood Action Group.**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

## **1. Attendance:**

Present: David Hilton (DH), Chair, PC Michelle Race (MR), Valerie Pike (VP), Sharon Christiaan (SC), George Williams (GW)

Apologies; Jacqui Greet (JG), Ruth Davies (RD), Oli Laclau (OL), Harrison Clifflin (HC)  
Tracey Windle (TW),

## **2. Minutes from meeting of Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019.**

2.1. The minutes were approved

## **3. Matters arising** There were no matters arising

## **4. Royal Ascot JG provided the following commentary.**

4.1. We welcomed approx. 300,000 visitors over the course of the event.

A total of over £100,000 was raised for charity during the event – see attached press release. The customer feedback and media comment has been very strong.

4.2. The week started with challenging weather but came good on Thursday when the racing came alive with Frankie Dettori and his four winning horses' electrifying performances, headlined by Stradivarius in the Gold Cup. On Saturday, the Diamond Jubilee Stakes, with runners from 6 different countries across 4 continents and an outstanding racing achievement in the shape of Blue Point's double, encapsulated what Ascot are seeking to achieve on the world racing stage.

4.3. In terms of off course broadcast profile, we were very pleased with our ITV viewing figures in the UK. The average audience was up 19%. The average peak audience was 1.25m, the highest since 2012 and 28% up on 2018

4.4. Bet with Ascot's inaugural Royal meeting delivered a superb result across the board. The launch of World Pool exceeded expectations Investment in quality offerings across the site and at all levels are reaping dividends. People are also eating more and drinking less which is a good trend.

## **5. Local Residents**

5.1. Course Road residents wrote to applaud the extended measures put in place by the TVP to safeguard their road post-racing.

5.2. Mr Miller, a vocal resident who expressed concern over egress at the Watersplash Road/Cheapside Road junction, wrote to report that traffic management during the whole week had been excellent.

5.3. We did not receive any noise complaints, or of anti-social behaviour, from any neighbours during the event (last year we had issues with glass compacting in the early hours) – all past issues rectified with success for 2019.

5.4. The issue of taxi's dropping and collecting guests in the Burley Road/Geffers Ride area continues to be an issue. This matter will be discussed at the next Traffic Management Group meeting and we will report findings back to complaints, cc. David Hilton.

## **6. Policing in the area**

6.1. MR stated that the police surgeries were progressing with the session in All Souls being attended by older people and a focus on problem solving to resolve issues. The Surgery at Broomhall has been attended by PCSOs. VP stated: "As I am a NW coordinator, I have attended the Sunningdale surgeries and plan to attend next week's one too. I make use of the opportunity to distribute leaflets received from Trading Standards - just to raise

awareness within the community on scams in particular. I liaise with Honor Ryan from Trading Standards - and she has been very supportive.” VP said she will try to attend the next one in South Ascot too, so she can hand out the same to residents who have been affected or are vulnerable to such scams.

- 6.2. In a general discussion on those who witness ASB or other offences MR emphasised the need to obtain car registration numbers and the time when the vehicles were seen. MR went on to describe how a witness in South Ascot had provided details of a car that was parked outside the station. This led to an arrest.

### 6.3. Priorities 2019 all figures based on previous month

- 6.4. **Burglary Residential:** There were 4 dwelling burglaries since the last meeting all in July. These were spread across the area in Charters Road, Shrubs Hill Lane, Bouldish Farm and Kings Road.

- 6.5. **Burglary non dwelling:** One non-dwelling burglaries had been reported.

- 6.6. **Theft from Motor Vehicle:** There had been 4 thefts from motor vehicles, two of which were insecure and one theft of a motor vehicle.

### 7. Vehicle Nuisance

No issues reported

### 8. ASB

- 8.1. SC described disturbances that take place on the footpath at the rear of Francis Chichester Close that cause annoyance to her neighbour. MR took the contact details and agreed to talk to her.

- 8.2. MR stated that when they have suspicions of youths using drugs in cars borrowed from their parents, she has written to the parents advising of her concerns. This has not always met with a positive response.

- 8.3. MR said that groups of youths gathering on Allen’s Field had been reported but they were not misbehaving.

### 9. Any Other business

SC talked about her role with the Youth Offending Team. (YOT) and the need to find positive things to do as part of their reparation programme. DH agreed to introduce SC to the Parish Clerk.

### 10. Meeting dates for 2019

Month	Proposal one
September	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>
October	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>
November	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>
December	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>

### Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 10.30am on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September in box 253. the Grandstand at the Racecourse